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Applicants : Richard J. Zeman and Joseph D. Etlinger
Serial No. : 09/611,652
Filed : July 7, 2000
For : TREATING NEURAL CONDITIONS RESULTING FROM SPINAL
CORD CONTUSIONS AND OTHER CAUSES
Examiner : San-ming Hui
Group Art Unit : 1617

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 3, 2003 OFFICE ACTION
AND PETITION FOR A ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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01 FC:2202 December 3, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the December 3, 2003 Office Action was due March 3, 2004. Applicants herewith petition for a one month extension of time in which to respond to the December 3, 2003 Office Action. The fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is \$55.00, and a check including this amount is enclosed. With a one month extension of time, a reply is due April 3, 2004. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

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In response to the Office Action of December 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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CONCLUSIONS

In light of the above discussion, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejections set forth in the December 3, 2003 Office Action and earnestly solicit passage of the pending claims to allowance.

A check is enclosed for \$184.00 to cover the following fees for a small entity: the \$55.00 fee for a one month extension of time, and the \$129.00 fee for filing three independent claims in excess of the 4 previously paid for (3 x \$43.00 per excess independent claim). No other fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any unanticipated payment is required to maintain the pendency of this application, authorization is given to withdraw the amount of any such fee from Deposit Account No. 01-1785. Overpayments may also be credited to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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